



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

TIMMERMAN, Ralf, et al

Serial No.: 09/423,572

Filed: November 29, 1999

Title: **HEAT-SEALABLE FILTER
MATERIAL WITH
BIODEGRADABLE POLYMERS**

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[Prior MO-5366/LEA3]

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**PETITION AND FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME
PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)**

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Applicants hereby petition for an extension of time for a total period of three (3) months, through and including January 7, 2002, to respond to the Office Action mailed on July 5, 2001. The six-month period for responding to the outstanding Office Action expired on January 5, 2002, which was a Saturday. Therefore, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.7, this response is timely by being filed on Monday, January 7, 2002. Please note that a Certificate of Mailing dated January 7, 2002 has been affixed to the Response, thereby meeting the six-month response time.

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☒ The Response to Office Action for which this extension is requested

☒ is filed herewith.

☐ has been filed.

☐ The response is the filing of a continuing application on the same date hereof, and the abandonment of this application is expressly conditioned on the granting of a filing date for the continuing application.

Applicant is

☐ a small entity - verified statement

☐ is attached.

☐ has been filed.

☒ other than a small entity.

The extension fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(1)-(a)(5) is calculated below:

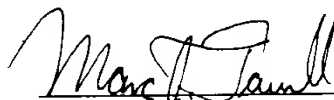
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<input type="checkbox"/> one month	\$ 110	\$ 55
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<input type="checkbox"/> four months	\$1,440	\$ 720
<input type="checkbox"/> five months	\$1,960	\$ 980
Fee:	<u>\$1,960</u>	\$

☒ Applicants enclose herewith a check for \$1,960.00 to cover the extension of time fee for three (3) months, **and request that the overpayment of \$1,040.00 be credited to Deposit Account No. 18-0582.**

☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge payment of any additional extension fees associated with this communication or credit any additional overpayment to Deposit Account No. 18-0582. A duplicate copy of this petition is attached.

Respectfully submitted,

Dated: January 7, 2002



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